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Today's Weather
It will be partly cloudy, with a decrease in temperature and westerly moderate winds. In Aqaba, it will be partly cloudy and hazy, with a probability of scattered showers, northerly moderate winds and calm seas.

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few imposed lebron market

AVIV, Oct. 31 (AP) — Israeli military authorities imposed a curfew on the market in Hebron in the West Bank following an incident in which a settler and an Arab were wounded.

an visits 12th Mechanised Div.

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (Petra) — Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, paid an inspection visit to the 12th Mechanised Division in the Jordanian desert.

ditch attempt BL strike

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (R) — Leyland (BL) managers in a ditch attempt to avert a strike which could destroy the dam.

Mu'ta Royal Commission signs design agreement with local firm

By Dina Matar Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, Oct. 31 — A JD 950,000 agreement was signed today between the Royal Commission of Mu'ta University and the local engineering firm Dar Al Handasa at the university's liaison office in Amman.

two parts, entails that the infrastructure and basic designs be completed by mid-1982, while the design of the buildings and other details of the project should be completed by end 1982.

donors would cover the rest. Although Mu'ta University is the third university in Jordan, it is set apart from the other two Jordanian universities by the fact that, besides academic courses, its students have to undertake training and instruction in martial arts and police techniques.

Klibi to open league meeting

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (J.T.) — Arab League Secretary General Chadi Klibi arrives here Wednesday for a two-day visit during which he will open meetings of the league's coordination committee.

Saudi minister raps opponents of Fahd peace plan for Mideast

KUWAIT, Oct. 31 (R) — Saudi Information Minister Mohammad Abdo Yamani has criticised opponents of his country's Middle East peace formula and accused them of siding with unidentified enemies of the Arabs, a Kuwait newspaper said today.

has called it a good basis for a comprehensive settlement. Dr. Abdo Yamani noted that the proposals also included a long-standing Arab demand that Israel should withdraw from all occupied Arab lands and asked "how can these (critical) parties reject such principles and demands and try to cast doubt on them?"

Tripoli refutes reports of Chad withdrawal call

BEIRUT, Oct. 31 (R) — Libya's official radio today described as misleading reports that Chad President Goukouni Oueddei had called for the withdrawal of Libyan troops from his country.

on an alleged call by (President Goukouni) for the full and immediate withdrawal of Libyan troops from Chad.

PLO is not yet an independent state to recognise Israel, Khalaf points out

BEIRUT, Oct. 31 (Agencies) — Mr. Salah Khalaf, a leader of the Palestine Liberation Organisation

(PLO), in an interview with the Paris-based magazine Al Moustakbal, received here today, took

PLO modifies welcome...

BEIRUT, Oct. 31 (R) — The Beirut daily An Nahar today corrected an interview it published yesterday with Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yasser Arafat which had

suggested that he favoured Arab-Israeli coexistence. The PLO chairman was quoted yesterday as saying the Saudi Arabian Middle East peace plan "spoke of coexistence and this is something new since Saudi Arabia speaks of or uses the word coexistence for the first time."

Countdown starts for Columbia

CAPE CANAVERAL, Oct. 31 (R) — A formal countdown began today for the second launch of the space shuttle Columbia, the first multiple-mission space shuttle.

strate its potential as an orbiting base for scientific research. The mission will also include the first orbital test of a Canadian-built mechanical arm which will enable the crew to handle bulky payloads from within their flight cabin.

Israel gets autonomy talks postponed

CAIRO, Oct. 31 (R) — Egypt and Israel resumed negotiations on Palestinian autonomy in Cairo on Nov. 11, the Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali said today.

The negotiations, to be held at ministerial level, were originally scheduled for Nov. 4 and were postponed at Egypt's request.

Washington hopes King's visit will strengthen relations

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31 (Agencies) — President Ronald Reagan will underscore U.S. determination to achieve a just and lasting peace when he meets with His Majesty King Hussein in Washington.

U.S. hopes for better ties

'Very important visit'

disc persuasion; argumentation is, of course, natural to that relationship.

senior administration official told reporters the president will establish with His Majesty a strong personal relationship which will increase understanding on both sides as efforts to solve problems of the Middle East proceed.

The official said the United States hopes that a closer relationship will be restored as a result of His Majesty's conferences with Mr. Reagan, Vice-President George Bush, Secretary of State Alexander Haig, Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger and leaders of the House of Representatives and Senate.

"This administration considers that this visit by King Hussein is very, very important," a senior State Department official told reporters at the foreign press centre in Washington on Thursday.

The official described relations between the U.S. and Jordan as "unusually candid and very square," noting that correspondence between King Hussein and a series of American presidents has been distinguished by straightforwardness and candor.

Generation-old relationship
King Hussein has long been a key figure in the Middle East. In his steps from his limousine at the diplomatic entrance to White House Nov. 2, he will be greeting his seventh American president. It is a relationship which dates to the Eisenhower administration, which left office a generation ago.

'Better understanding of each other'
"We are fully aware," another administration official said, "that King Hussein has not accepted the Camp David accords. We do not expect that at the end of this visit we are going to have his name on the line or anything of the kind. But we will have a dialogue about the problems which lie ahead in the peace process.

U.S., Jordan have 'identical views'
The official said that in many ways the United States and Jordan have identical views. "We both want to see the comprehensive, lasting and enduring peace that takes care of the Palestinian problem."

Ricardo logo and text in Arabic and English.

NATIONAL

5-year term for dealing with enemy

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (Petra) — A Jordanian citizen, Fawzi Adib Jarrah, has been sentenced by the military court to five years in prison at hard labour for contacting and dealing with the Israeli enemy.

Another citizen, Ibrahim Al Hassan, has been sentenced to three months in prison and the payment of JD 10, as well as the confiscation of all sums of money found on him in connection with the case, for offering a bribe to a public official.

Also, butcher Tayseer Jibril Abu Sham'a has been fined JD 40, and his store will be closed for two weeks, for selling imported frozen meat and claiming it was of local origin.

The military governor today endorsed the sentences.

Social Security for 55,000 more

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (J.T.) — The next stage of Jordan's Social Security scheme will take effect on Sunday, Social Security Corporation Director General Farhi Ubaid announced today.

The new phase of the insurance plan will cover 55,000 government employees who are not included in the civil service classification system, he said.

About 63,000 employees of private and public establishments are already covered by the three-year-old scheme. The next phase of the plan, to be implemented by the beginning of next year, will extend coverage to employees of municipalities and of Jordan's two universities.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Exhibitions

* The British Council presents *Painting the Town*, a major exhibition of photographs of mural paintings and other decorations on the interiors and exteriors of British buildings, at the council centre in Jabal Amman.

* The Alia Art Gallery presents the *Contemporary Masters Exhibition*.

Films

* The French Cultural Centre presents "Melodie en Sous-Sol," a black-and-white film (sub-titled in Arabic), with Jean Gabin and Alian Deloo; at 7:30 p.m.

ACOR lecture

* The American Centre of Oriental Research presents a public lecture by Dr. David W. McCroony on "Plants and Archaeology," tracing the importance of plant remains in understanding ancient agriculture; at 6:30 p.m.

Karak region gets a charge out of Hussein power station

KARAK, Oct. 31 (Petra) — The Karak Governorate electric power grid was connected with the national electric network fed by Al Hussein Thermal Power Station today. This is the second stage of the electrification of the governorate's 39 towns and villages.

The network will also power an industrial project currently being built in the governorate. Karak Governorate Electricity Director Hamed Al Nababteh explained that lines which bore power under 11,000 volts will now carry electricity at a boosted tension level of 33,000 volts.

Electrical Substations Section Director Wa'el Sabri said that the Karak substation had been connected to the 132-kilovolt grid, which will also supply power to the Arab Potash Company plant on the Dead Sea, the phosphates mines in Al Hasa and the cement factories in Al Rashidiya, in addition to linking Karak and Ma'an governorates with the national network.

The cost of the project amounts to JD 15 million, he said.

Medical specialisations council meets today on certificate plans

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (J.T.) — The Arab council for medical specialisations will start its meetings at the Yarmouk University liaison office here on Sunday, the local press reported today.

The council, set up on the recommendation of Arab health ministers, will meet for two days to discuss matters relating to the possibility of awarding specialisation certificates to Arab doctors, and of establishing centres to train these doctors in the Arab World.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

JD 3.5m for Aqaba marine life reserve

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (J.T.) — The Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment has allocated JD 3.5 million for the establishment of a national park to protect coral and marine life in Aqaba. The project aims at protecting the coral and other sea life from pollution, in addition to developing tourist activities in the region, Al Ra'i newspaper reported today.

Badia social project

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (J.T.) — The Ministry of Social Development, in cooperation with the Queen Alia Jordan Welfare Fund, has started to implement a project for social services in the badia (northeastern desert). In the project, which aims at improving the health and social conditions of badia residents, 20 social service centres are preparing meals and sending them in cars to be distributed in the region. The cost of this project amounts to JD 57,000.

available in the local market from outside Jordan, due to the approach of the end of the 1981 fiscal year.

Education delegation leaves for Britain visit

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (Petra) — A delegation representing the Ministry of Education left for London today at the invitation of the British Council. During the delegation's two-week visit, its members will tour educational institutions and will hold talks with British officials on means of bolstering educational cooperation between Jordan and Britain.

Meeting on mental health Monday in Marrakesh

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (Petra) — The University of Jordan will take part in a conference on mental health which will open on Monday in Marrakesh. During the four-day conference, participants will discuss several psychiatric and mental health issues, nervous breakdown, anxiety and stress. The university will be represented by Dr. Nizam Abu Hijleh of the psychiatry department. Other Arab universities' representatives will also attend the conference.

Broadcasting team back from Rabat seminar

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (Petra) — Jordan Television's delegation to an administrative seminar of Arab broadcasting stations in Rabat returned home today. The participants in the seminar, organized by the Arab States Broadcasting Union, discussed topics related to the administrative organization and modernisation of Arab broadcasting stations. Jordan Television's assistant director general and head of the delegation said.

Irbid area villages get development loans

IRBID, Oct. 31 (Petra) — The Development Bank for Municipalities and Village Councils has granted the Deir Abi Sa'id village council in Irbid Governorate a JD 50,000 loan for the purchase of a piece of land and the construction of a comprehensive school. The bank also approved a loan for the village of Huwarr in the Irbid region. The loan of JD 30,000 will finance the purchase of a plot of land to be used as a cemetery.

J.V. farmers get 10 West German tractors

SALT, Oct. 31 (J.T.) — The Jordan Valley farmers' federation has received 10 sprinkling tractors as a present donated by the government of West Germany, Al Ra'i newspaper reported today. These tractors will be used to sprinkle member farmers' crops in the Jordan Valley as of next month, a source from the federation said.

ALO board meeting due in Baghdad

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (Petra) — Under-secretary of Labour Tayseer Abdul Jaber left for Baghdad today to represent Jordan at the board meetings of the Arab Labour Organisation (ALO) which will start tomorrow. During its three-day meetings, the board will review the ALO's achievements over the last year and its future plans. It will also prepare for the 10th Arab labour conference, due to open in Baghdad on March 6, 1982.

Gov't purchasing privileges curtailed for rest of year

AMMAN, Oct. 31 (J.T.) — Minister of Finance Salem Masa'deh has instructed all government departments not to buy supplies that are unav-

Yarmouk U. to set up courses for Wadi Musa

MA'AN, Oct. 31 (J.T.) — Yarmouk University Continuing Education and Community Service Department Chairman Khaled Omari and Wadi Musa Mayor Ali Subeid today discussed vocational education and training programmes the university can offer to the village's citizens, during a visit Dr. Omari paid to Wadi Musa Municipality.

The Wadi Musa mayor said they had agreed on a training programme for tourist guides, who would receive instruction in the English, French and German languages. It was also agreed to start training courses in carpet weaving, embroidery and tapestry for the citizens of the town, and to open a bazaar to sell the products of families, Mr. Subeid said.

A specialised team comprising Yarmouk University students and government employees will be set up to study the Wadi Musa area in order to organise services for Arab and foreign tourist groups, the mayor added.

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JORDAN TELEVISION

CHANNEL 3

5:30 Koran
5:45 Cartoon
6:05 Children's Programme
6:30 Local Programme
6:45 Programme on Sports
7:30 Programme on Algeria
7:30 News in Arabic
8:00 Arabic Series
9:30 Documentary
10:25 Arabic Series
11:10 News in Arabic

CHANNEL 6

6:00 French programme
7:00 News in French
7:30 News in Hebrew
8:00 News in Arabic
8:30 Focus
9:10 The Flame Trees of Thika
10:00 News in English
10:15 The Love Boat

RADIO JORDAN

855 KHz, AM
& 99 MHz, FM

7:00 Sign on
7:01 Morning Show
7:30 News Bulletin
7:40 Morning Show
10:00 News Headlines
10:30 Pop Session
11:00 Sign off
12:00 News Headlines
12:03 Pop Session
13:00 News Summary
13:03 Pop Session
14:00 News Bulletin
14:10 Instruments
14:30 Invention and Discoveries
15:00 Concert Hour
16:00 News Summary
16:03 Instruments
16:30 Old Favourites
17:00 Listeners' Choice
18:00 News Summary
18:30 Jazz Hour
19:00 Newsdesk
19:30 Music
20:00 Evening Show
21:00 News Summary
21:03 Evening Show
22:00 Close down

BBC WORLD SERVICE

639, 720, 1413 KHz

GMT

04:00 Newsdesk 04:30 Music for Strings 04:45 Financial Review 04:55 Reflections 05:00 World News; British Press Review 05:15 Letterbox 05:30 Golden Treasury 05:45 Letter from America 06:00 Newsdesk 06:30 Jazz for the asking 07:00 World News; News about Britain 07:15 From Our Own Correspondent 07:30 Classical Record Review 07:45 Leave it to Panish 08:00 World News; Reflections 08:15 The Pleasure's Yours 09:00 World News; British Press Review 09:15 People and Politics 09:45 Sports Review 10:15 The Waltz 10:30 Religious Service 11:00 World News; News about Britain 11:15 Letter from America 11:30 Play of the Week 12:30 Baker's Half-Dozen 13:00 World News; Commentary 13:15 Good Books 13:30 Classic Short Stories 13:45 The Sandi Jones Request Show 14:30 Frank Muir Goes Into... 15:00 Radio Newsweek 15:15 From the Promenade Concerts 16:00 World News; Commentary 16:15 From our own Correspondent 16:35 Financial Review 16:45 Letter from America 17:00 World News; Meridian 17:40 Reflections 17:45 Sportsweek 18:00 World News; News about Britain 18:15 Radio Newsweek 18:30 Time Remembered 19:00 Country Style 19:15 Radio Theatre: Passing Through 20:00 World News; Commentary 20:15 Letterbox 20:30 Sunday Half-Hour 21:00 Six Irish Writers 21:15 The Pleasure's Yours 22:00 World News 22:09 Science in Action 22:40 Reflections 22:45 Sportsweek 23:00 World News; Commentary 23:15 Letter from America 23:30 From the Promenade Concerts

VOICE OF AMERICA

GMT
03:30 The Breakfast Show: 06:30 News on the hour and 28 min. after each hour 17:00 News and New Products (USA) 17:15 Critics Choice 17:30 Studio One 18:00 Special English: News/Words and their stories, feature "People in

America" 18:30 Music USA (Standards) 19:00 News and Topical Reports 19:15 News Horizons 19:30 Issues in the News 20:00 Special English: News/Words and their stories 20:15 The Concert Hall 21:00 News and New Products USA 21:15 Critics Choice 21:30 Studio One

AMMAN AIRPORT FOR SUNDAY

NOTE: The following airport arrivals and departures are provided to the Jordan Times by the Alia information department at Amman Airport, Tel. 92205-6. They should always be verified by phone before the arrival or departure of the flight.

ARRIVALS:

7:40 Cairo (EA)
8:45 Cairo (EA)
8:55 Aqaba
9:30 Jeddah (SV)
9:40 Kuwait
9:45 Dubai, Abu Dhabi
10:10 Beirut
11:05 Riyadh (SV)
11:40 Cairo (EA)
14:00 Jeddah (SV)
15:35 Kuwait (KAC)
16:30 Cairo
16:35 Athens
16:45 Rawalpindi (BA)
16:45 Tunis, Tripoli
17:15 New York, Vienna
17:30 Paris
17:35 Geneva, Brussels
17:40 Copenhagen, Athens
17:50 Madrid
17:55 Cairo
18:00 London
18:30 Rome (IT)
18:30 Rome
19:00 Geneva, Zurich
19:50 Frankfurt (LH)
19:50 Frankfurt
20:00 Beirut (MEA)
23:40 Cairo (EA)
24:00 Baghdad
01:00 Cairo

DEPARTURES:

3:30 Cairo
4:30 Cairo
6:30 Paris
6:30 Beirut
7:00 Aqaba

8:55 Cairo (EA)
9:25 Beirut (MEA)
9:30 London (BA)
9:30 Athens, Amsterdam
9:30 Beirut (KLM)
9:30 London (BA)
10:00 Frankfurt
10:10 Rome
10:45 Athens, Copenhagen
10:45 Beirut (SK)
11:00 Amsterdam, N. York
11:10 Athens
11:30 World News
12:05 London
12:05 Riyadh (SV)
12:40 Cairo
13:00 Cairo (EA)
13:00 Jeddah (SV)
16:30 Kuwait (KAC)
17:45 London (BA)
18:30 Abu Dhabi
19:00 Kuwait
19:15 Riyadh
19:20 Bahrain, Doha
19:30 Jeddah
19:45 Baghdad
20:00 Cairo (EA)
20:30 Dubai, Muscat
21:00 Baghdad
21:30 Bangkok
01:00 Cairo (EA)

EMERGENCIES

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Amman:
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Mohammad Abbas 24561

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Akram Haddad 85550

Irbid:
Mohammad Al Share' 73680

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Amman:
Al Salam 36730
S'ida 42209
Sara 71140

Irbid:
Shadi 57716

Zarqa:
Al Ouds (-)

TAXIS:
Jerusalem 39635
Tala 28021
Al Aman 56850
Faisal 22051
Al Burj 61028

CULTURAL CENTRES

American Centre 41520
British Council 36147-8
French Cultural Centre 37009
Goethe Institute 41993
Soviet Cultural Centre 44283
Spanish Cultural Centre 24049
Turkish Cultural Centre 39777
Hays Arts Centre 65195
Al Hussein Youth City 67181
Y.W.C.A. 41793
Y.W.M.C.A. 64251
Amman Municipal Library 36111
University of Jordan Library 84355/84366

SERVICE CLUBS

Lions Philadelphia Club. Meetings every second and fourth Wednesday at the Grand Palace Hotel, 1.30 p.m.
Lions Amman Club. Meetings every first and third Wednesday at the Intercontinental Hotel, 1.30 p.m.
Rotary Club. Meetings every Thursday at the Intercontinental Hotel, 2.00 p.m.
Philadelphia Rotary Club. Meetings every Wednesday at the Holiday Inn, 1.30 p.m.

PRAYER TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Fajr 4:30
Sunrise 5:52
Dhuhr 11:20
'Asr 2:24
Maghreb 4:47
'Isha 6:09

MUSEUMS

Folklore Museum: Jewelry and costumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 23316
Royal Life of Jordan Museum: 100 to 150 year old items such as costumes, weapons, musical instruments, etc. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. closed Tuesdays.
Jordan Archaeological Museum:

Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan. Jabal Al Qal'a (Citadel Hill). Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.). Closed on Tues.

Jordan National Gallery: Contains a collection of paintings, ceramics, and sculpture by contemporary Muslim artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection

of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists. Muntazah, Jabal Luweibdeh. Opening hours: 10.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. Closed on Tuesdays. Tel. 37169

LOCAL EXCHANGE RATES

Saudi riyal 98.4/98.7
Lebanese pound 72.8/73.6
Syrian pound 57/58
Iraqi dinar 691.6/700
Kuwaiti dinar 1193.3/1194.2
Egyptian pound 346.6/355
Qatari riyal 92.1/93.5

UAE dirham 91.5/92.30
Omani riyal 971.3/977.6
U.S. dollar 334/336
U.K. sterling 627.9/631.7
W. German mark 150.1/151.6
Swiss franc 184.5/185.6
Italian lire 39148

(for every 100) 27.7/27.9
French franc 59.7/60.1
Dutch guilder 136.3/137.1
Swedish crown 60/60.4
Belgian franc 88.6/89.1
Japanese yen 143.9/144.3

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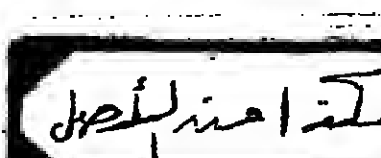
Ambulance (government) 75111
Civil Defence rescue 61111
Jordan Electric Power Co. (emergency) 36381-2
Municipal water service (emergency) 37111-3
Police headquarters 39148
Najdah moving patrol rescue police, (English spoken) 24 hours a day for emergency 21111, 37777
Airport information (ALIA) 92288/92286
Jordan Television 73111
Radio Jordan 74111

Fire and police 73
Fire headquarters 228
Cablegram or telegram 73
Telephone: 73
Information 73
Jordan and Middle East trunk calls 73
Overseas radio and satellite calls 73
Telephone maintenance and repair service 73

MARKET PRICES

Tomatoes 170
Eggplant 120
Potatoes (imported) 150
Marrow (small) 140
Marrow (large) 100
Cucumber (small) 110
Cucumber (large) 110
Okra (Green) 320
Muloukhiyah 90
Hot Green Pepper 120
Cabbage 120
Onions (dry) 110
Green onions 320
Garlic 750
Guava 220
Beans 300
Dates 180
Sweet Pepper 120

Bananas 260
Apples (American) 240
Apples (Golden) 210
Apples (Starline) 200
Water Melon 110
Lemons 150
Oranges 260
Grapes 340
Figs 220
Cauliflower 200
Tangerine 200
Pears 500
Pomegranates 160
Grapefruit 120
Oranges (Shamout) 130
Bomali 200
Spinach 180
Carrots 250



Short, sweet meeting

By Dr. Majdi Sabri

AFTER more than 2 years of wrangling, the 13 members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) have agreed to unify their prices on a \$34 a barrel base, and to freeze the base price until the end of 1982.

The agreement was reached fairly quickly, thanks to the efforts of Kuwait Oil Minister Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al Sabah and OPEC president, Dr. Subroto of Indonesia. The latter expressed optimism earlier this week and hoped the meeting would be "short and sweet".

The agreement, which was concluded after two abortive meetings earlier this year, is viewed as a victory to Saudi Arabia. The Saudis, who engineered the oil glut to force prices down, were worried to

see OPEC members defying the previous unified pricing structure, by raising their rates as high as the market could bear in the wake of the Iraq-Iran war.

The oil glut, which was primarily caused by the huge increase in Saudi output, resulted in a buyer's revolt. Some countries, who charged more than the Saudi rate, failed to make Western and Japanese oil companies pay premiums on top of contract prices. Some buyers even asked for discounts.

As the pressure for price cuts grew, each oil-producer was waiting for the other to take a lead in trimming oil prices. Everybody else was wondering who will bell the cat.

It was not long before

Nigeria, hit hardest by the oil glut, offered a discount of \$4 a barrel on its \$40 rate. The Nigerian move was soon followed by other oil-producers who unilaterally trimmed their prices in order to boost their output.

Even the two "price hawks", Libya and Algeria, who also charged \$40 for a barrel, were reported to have offered to barter goods for their oil, which in turn offers scope for hidden discounts.

It is evident that the present market conditions had helped OPEC members reach an agreement. The agreement, this time was not only to increase the Saudi crude price by \$2 a barrel, but also, and for the first time, to cut the prices

of most other producers.

The Saudis announced on Friday that they have imposed a new ceiling on production of 8.5 million barrels a day starting November — a reduction of about one million barrels a day. This would enable other oil producers to step up production especially that their prices have now become more attractive.

As for us in Jordan, OPEC's accord is likely to increase petrol prices since we import our oil exclusively from Saudi Arabia. If the government decides that consumers should bear the two-dollar-a-barrel price increase, it will not be long before the price of petrol goes up by 10 fils, or a bit more, on every litre.

Reagan to Baker: AWACS sale will enhance U.S. vital interests

How the Senate was won

Following is the text of the letter President Reagan sent Wednesday, Oct. 28, to Senator Howard Baker, the Senate Republican leader, to help build last-minute support for the sale of Airborne Warning and Control System planes (AWACS) and other equipment to Saudi Arabia.

To Senator Baker:

On October 1, 1981, I formally notified the Congress of our intention to sell AWACS aircraft and F-15 enhancement items to Saudi Arabia. This sale will enhance our vital national security interests by contributing directly to the stability and security of the critical area from the Gulf through the Middle East to North Africa. It will improve significantly the capability of Saudi Arabia and the United States to defend the oilfields and facilities on which the security of the free world depends, and it will pose no realistic threat to Israel.

When this proposed sale was first announced last spring, the Congress expressed concerns about certain aspects of the sale. After analysing these concerns in detail, we entered into a series of discussions with the government of Saudi Arabia over the summer.

The government of Saudi Arabia has agreed, and I am convinced welcomes the fact, that the United States will have an important, long-term role and will maintain direct involvement in the development of the Saudi air defence system, including the AWACS. We also have reached agreement with the Saudi government on a number of specific arrangements that go well beyond their firm agreement to abide fully by all the standard terms of the normal letter of offer and acceptance as required by the Arms Export Control Act.

Transfer of the AWACS will take place only on terms and conditions consistent with the act and only after the Congress has received in writing a presidential certification, containing agreements with Saudi Arabia, that the following conditions have been met:

1. Security of technology
 - A. That a detailed plan for the security of equipment, technology, information, and supporting documentation has been agreed to by the United States and Saudi Arabia and is in place; and
 - B. The security provisions are no less stringent than measures employed by the U.S. for protection and control of its equipment of like kind outside the continental U.S.; and
 - C. The U.S. has the right of continual on-site inspection and surveillance by U.S. personnel of security arrangements for all operations during the useful life of the AWACS. It is further provided that security arrangements will be supplemented by additional U.S. personnel if it is deemed necessary by the two parties;
 - D. Saudi Arabia will not permit citizens of third nations either to perform maintenance on the AWACS or to modify any such equipment without prior, explicit mutual consent of the two governments; and
 - E. Computer software, as designated by the U.S. government, will remain the property of the U.S. government.
2. Access to information

That Saudi Arabia has agreed to share with the United States continuously and completely the information that it acquires from use of the AWACS.
3. Control over third-country participation
 - A. That Saudi Arabia has agreed not to share access to AWACS equipment, technology, documentation, or any information developed from such equipment or technology with any nation other than the U.S. without the prior, explicit mutual consent of both governments; and
 - B. There are in place adequate and effective procedures requiring the screening and security clearance of citizens of Saudi Arabia and that only cleared Saudi citizens and cleared U.S. nationals will have access to AWACS equipment, technology, or documentation, or information derived therefrom, without the prior, explicit mutual consent of the two governments.
4. AWACS flight operations

That the Saudi AWACS will be operated solely within the boundaries of Saudi Arabia, except with the prior, explicit mutual consent of the two governments, and solely for defensive purposes as defined by the United States, in order to maintain security and regional stability.
5. Command structure

That agreements as they concern organisational command and control structure for the operation of AWACS are of such a nature of guarantee that the commitments above will be honoured.
6. Regional peace and security

That the sale contributes directly to the stability and security of the area, enhance the atmosphere and prospects for progress toward peace, and that initiatives toward the peaceful resolution of disputes in the region have either been successfully completed or that significant progress toward that goal has been accomplished with the substantial assistance of Saudi Arabia.

I believe it is important to look beyond these agreements to their practical consequences, and to the implications of U.S. security assistance and training requested by Saudi Arabia. For example, the agreement we have reached with the Saudi government to protect the security of equipment also affects the nature, extent, and duration of the U.S. role in the AWACS programme. Since skilled Saudi personnel available for this programme will remain in short supply, the U.S./Saudi agreement that third-country nationals will not be permitted to operate or maintain the Saudi AWACS will, in practice, extend U.S. involvement in Saudi AWACS operations and activities well into the 1990's. U.S. military and contractor personnel will be required to provide extensive operational training for Saudi AWACS aircrews; it will be 1990 at the earliest before the eight Saudi crews needed to operate all five AWACS aircraft will be trained, and replacement and refresher training of individual Saudi crew members will require USAF technical assistance field teams during the 1990's. Critical AWACS maintenance, logistics, and support functions, particularly radar and computer software support, will, of necessity, be performed by U.S. personnel in Saudi Arabia and in the United States, for the life of the AWACS.

Concerning the agreement to operate AWACS only inside the kingdom, it should also be noted that the Saudi air force will be trained to operate the AWACS in accordance with standard USAF AWACS doctrine and procedures, which call for AWACS to remain at all times a "safe distance" behind sensitive political borders — normally 100 to 150 nautical miles — to ensure AWACS security and survivability. Given the physical location of the AWACS is to defend, the vulnerability of AWACS should it operate near sensitive borders, and the history of Saudi observance of U.S. air force tactical doctrine, we are confident that the Saudis will adopt these practices.

In a broader sense, by enhancing the perception of the United States as a reliable security partner, we improve the prospects for closer cooperation between ourselves and the Saudi government in working toward our common goal of a just and lasting peace in the region. Since assuming the responsibilities of the presidency, I have been impressed by the increasingly constructive policy of Saudi Arabia in advancing the prospects for peace and stability in the Middle East. The Saudi government's critical contribution to securing a ceasefire in Lebanon is a striking example. I am persuaded that this growing Saudi influence is vital to the eventual settlement of the differences that continue to divide Israel and most of the Arab World.

I am confident that the Saudi AWACS will pose no realistic threat to Israel. I remain fully committed to protecting Israel's security and to preserving Israel's ability to defend against any combination of potentially hostile forces in the region. We will continue to make available to Israel the military equipment it requires to defend its land and people, with due consideration to the presence of AWACS in Saudi Arabia. We have also embarked on a programme of closer security cooperation with Israel.

I look forward to continuing to work with you toward these vital goals.

Ronald Reagan

Strange

PLO CHAIRMAN Yasser Arafat has spoken with kind, if soft, words about some aspects of the Mideast peace proposals of Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Fahd.

Where, we ask, are the supreme crazies of the United States Senate today? We hear so many American officials (there tends to be a disproportionate number of people in the U.S. Senate who go to sleep at night and wake up in the morning thinking about nothing else but how to bring peace to the Holy Land) who are otherwise so quick to raise their voice about how they view the PLO and Mr. Arafat as a gang of killers blah blah blah, but we rarely hear from these same people when Mr. Arafat and his colleagues speak about peaceful coexistence with Israel, with the Jews in Palestine, with the forces of reason and moderation in the Middle East. Why is it, we wonder, the likes of Henry Jackson and Stephen Solarz and the political ghost of (remember him?) Frank Church have little automatic ear plugs that self-activate themselves when Palestinian and other Arab leaders talk of peaceful coexistence with Israel? Where are the true peace-makers? Where are the large men and women of the West? Where is the compassion and the egalitarianism of the liberal, democratic revolutions of the 18th and 19th centuries?

Mr. Arafat, Prince Fahd and many, many others in the Arab World are still speaking of peace and coexistence with Israel, with the Jews, on equal terms based on reciprocal national rights of self-determination and statehood. But we hear no similarly humane reply from Israel, or from the West, or from the professional crazies of the United States Senate. We find this very strange indeed.



America's long dormant Left may be preparing for a violent offensive.

Who knows which way the wind blows?

By Arthur Spiegelman

NEW YORK — Two are women in their 30's with babies, another is a clergyman's daughter.

One of the men was among his college's brightest students, another was wanted for a spectacular plot to blow up the Statue of Liberty and a third was simply a "common criminal".

All are linked, most as direct participants, in last week's ambush of an armoured van carrying \$1.5 million.

The ambush backfired, and in its aftermath the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) raided a dozen houses believed to have been used by several extreme left wing groups and is trying to piece together the meaning of the most serious act of terrorist violence in the United States since the Vietnam war.

The FBI says it believes various factions in America's long dormant, violent radical left have joined forces, perhaps for an offensive.

Reports about that "hit lists" of prominent American businessmen and police officers were discovered in the raids.

The FBI confirms it found diagrams of criminal court buildings, district attorney offices and New York City police stations — apparent targets for future planned bombings.

The investigation has also found ties to last month's violent protests that greeted South Africa's touring Springbok rugby team.

A woman arrested for hurling acid at a policeman during an

anti-apartheid protest and blinding him turned out to be the owner of one of three getaway cars used in the abortive attack on the armoured van north of New York.

The FBI is investigating whether the "terrorist infrastructure" it claims to have uncovered had ties to foreign guerrilla groups and whether it was responsible for a series of unsolved armed robberies.

Four of the bandits were captured. Among those arrested was long-time fugitive Katherine Boudin, a member of the Weather underground group, and a heroine of the radical left of the 1960's.

Miss Boudin, born to a life of privilege as the daughter of a prominent civil rights lawyer, had been wanted by police since she fled naked from an explosion that wrecked a Weather underground bomb factory in New York's Greenwich village in 1970. That explosion claimed three lives.

Also arrested were two other Weather underground figures — Judith Clark and David Gilbert — and a man named Samuel Brown, 41, who has been described by police as "a common criminal" with a long record of car thefts and larceny.

Miss Clark, like Miss Boudin in her 30's and the mother of a small child.

Gilbert, 37, is a former Columbia University student, where he was considered "one of the brightest guys on campus," he had been sought by police since 1972 in connection with a series of bombings.

Tracing vehicles captured at the scene of last week's armoured van ambush police and FBI agents launched a series of raids on var-

ious apartments in New York and New Jersey and discovered an apparent link between the Weather underground and a violent black group calling itself the Black Liberation Army (BLA).

They found 9 mm guns — the type used by the BLA in a series of killings of policemen and in the van robbery.

They also found bloodied clothing they believe belonged to a woman named Marilyn Buck, 33, described as the only white member of the BLA. She escaped from jail where she was serving a term for gun-running.

Police believe Miss Buck was involved in last week's armoured van attack and had rented, under various names, at least two of the flats they raided.

Also being hunted is Joanne Chesimard, an escaped police killer who has been called the "heart and soul" of the BLA.

Pictures and posters of Miss Chesimard were found in several of the raided apartments. Miss Boudin named her son, Chesie, after her, and Miss Clark and Miss Buck are both believed by police to be associates of Miss Chesimard.

Last Friday, police killed one man and captured another in a gun battle in the New York borough of Queens, that has been linked to the van robbery.

Samuel Smith, whom police believe was a participant in the armoured van attack, was killed and Nathaniel Burns, a former member of the radical Black Panther group, was arrested.

Burns has been wanted by police since 1969 when he was charged with conspiring to blow up the Statue of Liberty and sev-

eral New York City police stations and department stores.

But while police attempt to build up links between the BLA, the Weather underground and a group called the "May 19 Movement", which takes its name from the birthdates of assassinated black nationalist leader Malcolm X and Ho Chi Minh, they have so far failed to find a reason for the building of a network.

Each group was born out of the political idealism and frustration of the 1960's. But each seemed to have moved further and further left, rejecting peaceful means to change American society.

The Weather underground took its name from a line in a 1965 Bob Dylan song: "You don't need a weatherman to know which way the wind blows."

An early manifesto declared: "We are against everything that's good and decent in hunky America. We will loot, burn and destroy. We are the incubation of your mother's nightmares."

The Weather underground was responsible for several violent protests in the 1960's and for the bombing of about 25 government offices.

Its last known bombing took place in 1977, and in 1979 the U.S. government stopped looking actively for the handful of Weathermen still at large.

Most of its leaders had surrendered peacefully to police, but Miss Boudin remained hidden even though charges against her were dropped in 1979.

Living under an assumed name, Miss Boudin drew welfare payments but little else is known of her activities until she was arrested last week.

Jesuits-firebrands of Catholicism

By Michael Sheridan

ROME — Pope John Paul has fired the opening shots in a discreet battle that will determine the future of Catholicism's most powerful order, the Jesuits.

Although bound to the pontiff by a vow of obedience dating back to 1540, the Jesuits have irked the traditionalist pope from Poland since the early days of his papacy.

In 1979, he lamented "deplorable deficiencies" in the order, reminding the Jesuits of that personal loyalty, which has in the past propelled them into the most demanding missionary work and the highest Vatican posts.

Last week he named an 80-year-old Italian, Father Paolo Dezza, a moderate conservative according to Vatican sources, to govern the order in place of Father Arrupe.

Father Dezza will serve as the Pope's representative until a new superior can be found.

debilitating stroke at Rome airport on Aug. 7. Now, two months later, the Pope has paved the way for the election of a leader more to the Pontiff's theological tastes.

Father Dezza is not superior general — he is "a delegate who will represent me more closely in the running of the society," according to Pope John Paul's letter to the order.

The stricken Father Arrupe remains superior general in name and authority until a general congregation of the order, as yet uncalled, elects a successor.

Under the leadership of Father Arrupe, the Jesuit order transformed itself to perhaps the most pioneering in Catholicism.

With their legendary intellectual rigour and teaching, Jesuits have been in the forefront of radical Third World movements and advocates of a left-wing brand of Christianity.

The Pope does not look sympathetically on these views, valuing discipline, obedience and a comparatively conservative form of Catholicism.

Father Arrupe's reign is a hard one to follow. He ruled the order in a style that evoked devotion from some but roused others to anger. Last year he told the pope he wanted to retire. The pope, unable to find a successor, told him to stay on.

In the United States, the activities of the Berrigao Brothers, Jesuit priests who opposed American involvement in Vietnam, brought political notoriety to the order.

Another American Jesuit, Father Robert Drinan, was the democratic party congressman for Massachusetts' third district, enjoying a seven per cent approval rating from the liberal Americans for democratic action group.

In Holland, young Jesuits married but insisted on staying in their priesthood. In the Philippines, a Jesuit social worker was jailed for his efforts on behalf of peasant farmers and in Rome a Jesuit philosopher published a candid book about priests' sexual frustrations. He was suspended by the order.

When the pope referred to the order's "deplorable deficiencies," Father Arrupe told the Jesuits to examine themselves thoroughly.

This was not the first papal stricture on the order in modern times. In 1964, Pope Paul VI voiced his concern about "strange and sinister reports" that the Jesuits were deviating from the original rules of the order and Father Arrupe admitted dangers and decadence within the ranks.

The Jesuits face threats ranging from Guatemalan death squads, who said last year they would kill every Jesuit in the country, to guerrilla tensions nearer home that in 1978 prompted the Italian secret service to mount a body-guard on Father Arrupe.

Many Jesuits, a source said, are not worried by any pressure the pope may face through his choice of Father Arrupe's successor. They recall the judgment of Cardinal Carlo Ruffini.

"The society of Jesus is like the church of God, its sun will never set, it will never meet death."

Handwritten signature: *John Paul II*

ECONOMY

'Super giant' oil fields wait to be tapped

VIENNA, Oct. 31 (R) - Seven "super giant" oil fields, each holding five billion barrels, remain to be tapped around the world, according to a study released today by the OPEC news agency OPECNA.

When developed, these fields would add a total of around 450 billion barrels of oil to the world's current proven reserves of about 650 billion barrels, the agency said, quoting a study by the Italian oil company Agip.

Better recovery methods and other new technology could add a further 567 billion barrels to total world reserves by the year 2000, adding up to a total of 1,669 billion barrels, Agip Vice-Chairman Marcello Colitti was quoted as

saying. OPECNA said the study, the full text of which will appear soon in the quarterly OPEC review, estimated that seven "super giant" fields remained to be tapped - three in the Middle East and one each in North America, Latin America, Africa and Western Europe. It did not specify where.

Mr. Colitti said over 30 per cent, or 139 billion barrels, of the undiscovered oil was in the Middle East. Several huge fields have been discovered but not tapped in Saudi Arabia.

The Soviet Union, the

Americas and Oceania could have undiscovered reserves of over 200 billion barrels, he added. "Much more explorations and development remain to be done in Saudi Arabia, Iran and Iraq where prospects are very interesting", the agency quoted him as saying. "Prospects are not so promising in Syria and Oman."

"In Iraq it is likely that new giant fields will be found and it is presumed that the value of the reserves will rise markedly as a result of development of the deeper parts of known productive deposits."

"The offshore area of the Ara-

bian Peninsula on the Indian Ocean side appears to be of great interest, although as yet it has barely been explored."

The study said some 55 billion barrels of oil remained to be discovered in Africa. This and an estimated 42 billion barrels to be extracted through enhanced recovery techniques should boost the continent's total reserves to 180 billion barrels in the year 2000.

Although many of the huge but hardly explored sedimentary oil basins in Africa are not very promising, some - such as in Chad - look quite favourable, he added.

Mobil makes \$3.4b takeover bid

NEW YORK, Oct. 31 (R) - Mobil, the oil giant thwarted earlier this year in a bid for Conoco, yesterday made a \$3.4 billion offer for a majority stake in Marathon Oil.

Mobil Corporation is the second largest company in the United States in terms of sales. Marathon, an explorer for oil in the United

States, the British North Sea and the Gulf of Mexico, was the 39th largest at the end of 1980.

Marathon, of Findlay, Ohio, had been regarded in the stock market as a takeover possibility since the bidding war for Conoco began in June. The Du Pont company fought off Mobil and Seagram of Canada to purchase Con-

oco in a deal worth \$7.6 billion. Mobil today offered to pay \$3.4 billion for a share of up to 40 million shares or about 67 per cent, of Marathon. The offer was well above the \$2.5 billion dollars at which Marathon shares were trading before the New York stock exchange halted activity there yesterday morning.

Italian banks boxed in by the past

By James Buxton

ROME: The Italian banking system is under siege. It is being attacked by borrowers for its very high lending rates (prime rate is 22.5 per cent), by savers for its idiosyncratic and often stingy deposit rate policy and by the Government for its reluctance to finance the near bankrupt parts of state industry. The supply of its basic raw material, deposits, is drying up and the Ministry of Finance has told bankers to curb lending.

"We are facing the moment of truth and we must change," says Dr. Nerio Nesi, president of Banca Nazionale del Lavoro, Italy's biggest bank.

Where should change begin? The average bank customer would like nothing more than an immediate end to the tyranny of an exasperating system where even the simplest transaction can come up against insuperable bureaucratic hurdles, where cheques drawn on other banks take

weeks to clear and where few bank officials, including branch managers, are prepared to take responsibility.

But change in Italy comes slowly, if at all, and in certain ways the banking system reflects and even suits the Italian way of life. It is the fruit of the conservatism of Italian bankers, of the draconian legislation that followed the crash of 1931 and the strong regionalism of most Italians.

Italian banking is extremely

fragmented: there are 1,070 banks, savings banks, rural banks and other institutions. They range from the Banca Nazionale del Lavoro, with deposits at the end of last year of L39,000 billion (\$34 billion) to the Casa Rurale Santa Maria Croce with only L14 billion.

Though there are four or five big leading banks, no single bank has as many as 500 of the country's 12,000 branches.

Expansion and competition by banks is tightly controlled by the Bank of Italy. It decides where a bank may operate and the kind of businesses it may handle. Banks are not allowed to venture beyond banking operations, leasing, factoring and a few related operations. The lives of bank officials are made a nightmare by the need to comply with myriad regulations. Banks must, for example, keep all cheques for 10 years.

From this, and from the difficulties in operating in an elongated country with a bad postal service, arise many of the faults that are so obvious to the bank customer. Bankers are not proud of them.

For the moment they are more

preoccupied by the fact that deposits are not keeping up with inflation, and may have declined in nominal terms in the second quarter of 1981. This is partly because depositors are now investing directly in Treasury bills, which carry attractive interest rates and partly because of the bank deposit interest rate system.

Officially the rate paid on deposits is 11.5 per cent - about 11 points less than base lending rates. In practice important bank customers negotiate with their bankers for deposit rates - interest is paid on current account balances - and shift their money from one bank to the next. What Dr. Nesi and other bankers think is badly needed is a "transparent" or published system of deposit rates.

That is a change that could, even in the slow moving world of the Italian banks, come into operation. But it would only partially relieve the problems the banks face over lending. With a high inflation rate which the Government is trying to reduce by a credit squeeze, high interest rates are inevitable. But most of the


inflation is generated by the Government's own excessive borrowing requirement, which the banks are obliged to help fund.

With compulsory deposits and other factors the proportion of the banks' funds which they cannot directly control is more than 50 per cent, leaving little for the private sector: hence the banks' resentment at being asked in addition to fund the wage bill of the state steel group, Finisider, whose problems are mainly the result of Government dithering and parliamentary obstruction.

Marketing initiatives to date have not been conspicuously successful: there are still only about 650,000 cheque cards in Italy, even though they were introduced as long ago as 1968.

Italians do not appear to want such innovations: shopkeepers accept Eurocheque transactions by foreigners with more enthusiasm than those of their fellow-countrymen, and there is a national fear of having transactions recorded on paper. In this sense Italians may be getting the banking service they deserve.

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SPORTS

LONDON, Oct. 31 (R) — Manchester United stayed top of the English soccer league today, thanks to face-saving goals by Garry Birtles and Remi Moses. Visitors Notts County had threatened a shock win when Ian

McCulloch put them ahead in the first half but United recovered and sealed a 2-1 victory to remain one goal ahead of rivals Ipswich on goal difference. Ipswich kept in close touch with their northern rivals by recording a useful 1-0 away win over champions Aston Villa.

Russell Osman cracked his first goal of the season in the ninth minute which proved enough for his side's third successive League triumph over Villa, who remained floundering in mid-table. A 90th minute goal by Pat Corbett gave Tottenham a 2-1 victory at Southampton and lifted them into third place at the expense of Swansea, who were held to a goalless draw by Wolverhampton. Nine minutes after Osman put Ipswich ahead from Arnold Muhren's corner, Alan Brazil had a goal disallowed for a foul on Allan Evans, Villa's best chance

arrived late in the first half but Gary Shaw fired over the bar with goalkeeper Paul Cooper well beaten.

The Southampton-Tottenham clash lived up to expectations. Graham Roberts fired Tottenham ahead in the 24th minute but Southampton were level less than a minute later through Steve Moran.

Southampton captain Kevin Keegan then had his 85th minute penalty saved by England team mate Ray Clemence and Tottenham cashed in on the let-off when Corbett scored with virtually the last kick of the game.

European champions Liverpool, like Villa struggling for consistency, visited bottom club Sunderland and won 3-0 through second half goals by Graeme Souness and Terry McDermott.

Midland rivals Birmingham and West Bromwich shared six goals in a gripping battle. Archie Gemill gave hosts Birmingham a 32nd minute lead, but West Bromwich striker Cyrille Regis hit three goals in reply before Tony Evans and a late penalty by Frank Worthington forced a draw.

Nottingham Forest and West Ham kept in touch with the leaders with home wins.

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The bidding has proceeded:
West North East South
2 ♠ 3 ♠ Pass ?
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What action do you take?

Q.2—As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠Q10874 ♥53 ♦J982 ♠AK
The bidding has proceeded:
South West North East
Pass 1 ♠ 1 ♥ Pass
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass ?
What do you bid now?

Q.3—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠K72 ♥AQ10 ♦AK6 ♠KJ72
The bidding has proceeded:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass Pass 2 ♠ ?
What do you bid now?

Q.4—As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠AQ8 ♥6 ♦AQ52 ♠KQ94
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
Pass Pass 1 ♠ Pass
1 ♠ Pass ?
What do you bid now?

Q.5—As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠A2 ♥9652 ♦QJ1032 ♠K
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ 1 ♠
3 ♠ Pass ?
What do you bid now?

Q.6—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
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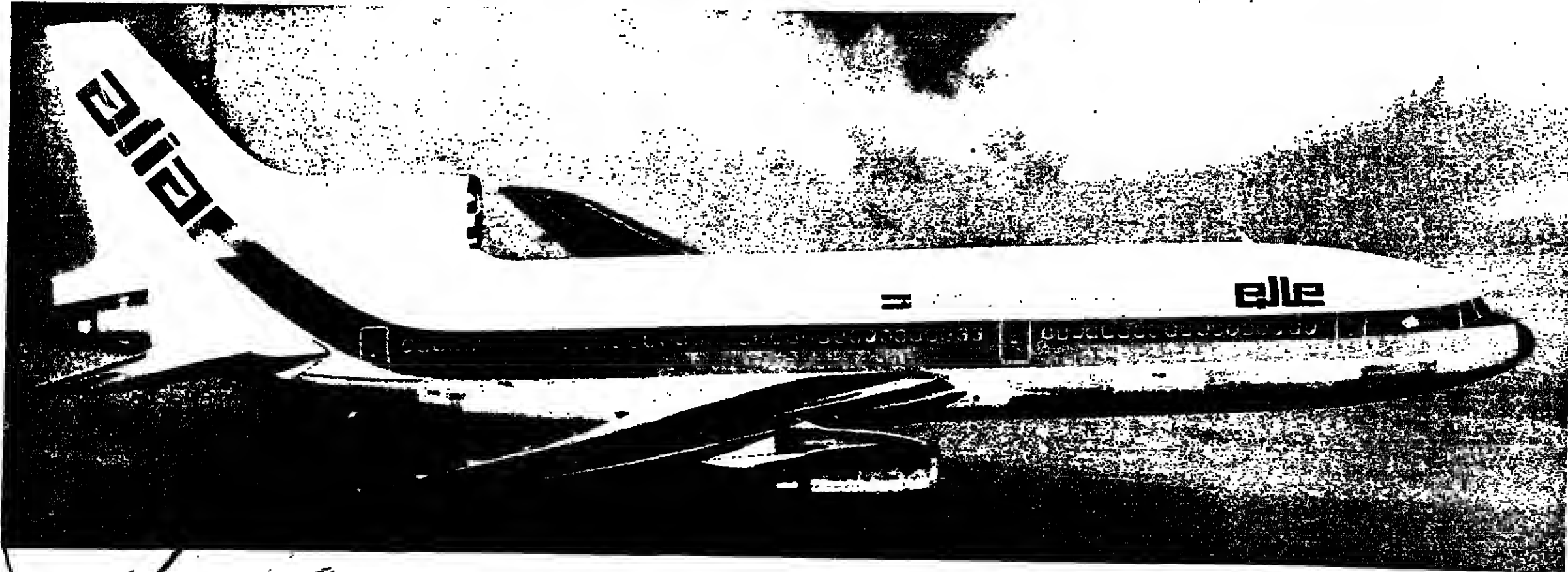
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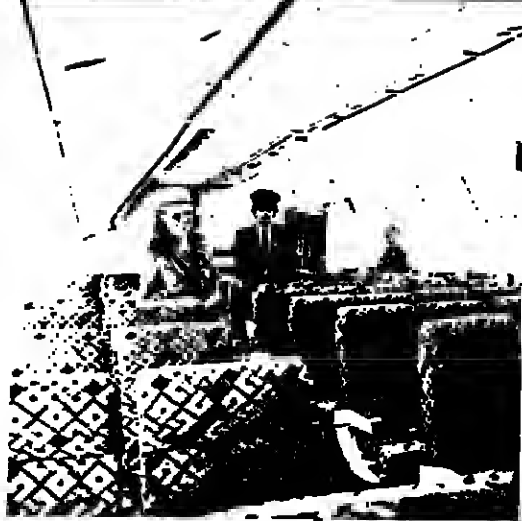
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